Local Work Group development of local EQIP.

Mahnomen 087 District FY08 EQIP

1. List the local resource concerns that EQIP can address:

Soil Erosion

Water Quality

Pasture Conditions and Grazing Concerns

Wildlife Habitat

Invasive Species Control

Forest Management

2. If applicable, list any geographic regions (i.e. watersheds, townships, etc.) and their respective resource concerns within the District to receive priority:

Marsh Creek – soil erosion and water quality

White Earth River – soil erosion and water quality

3. From items 1 & 2 above prioritize the local resource concerns to be addressed with EQIP funding for the district. Describe a minimum of 3 categories of the highest priority applications which you would want to receive funding.

Applications with well sealing as a practice

Applications with prescribed grazing practices

Applications that address soil erosion practices

Applications that address soil erosion and water quality in Marsh Creek sub watersheds 60009, 60010, 60011, 60012, 60013, 60014, 60026, or 60027

Applications that address soil erosion and water quality in White Earth River sub watersheds 60030, 60031, 60032, 60033, 60034, 60035, or 60038

Applications whose applicants have a completed EQIP contract

4. Develop a minimum of 3 and maximum of 12 yes/no questions to determine if an application is addressing the high priority concerns described in item 3.

Water Quality – the application will install a well sealing practice (351). 15 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality – the application will install practices that result in the implementation of a prescribed grazing system. 15 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality – the application will address soil erosion and water quality using practices Grassed Waterway (412), Grade Stabilization Structure (410), or Water and Sediment Control Basins (638). 10 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality – the application will address soil and water quality practices in Marsh Creek sub watersheds 60009, 60010, 60011, 60012, 60013, 60014, 60026, or 60027 using practices Cover Crop (340), Critical Area Planting (342), Field Border (386), Filter Strip (393), Grade Stabilization Structure (410), Grassed Waterway (412), Residue Management (329, 345, 346) or Water and Sediment Control Basin (638). 5 points

Soil Erosion and Water Quality – the application will address soil and water quality practices in White Earth River sub watersheds 60030, 60031, 60032, 60033, 60034, 60035, or 60038 using practices Cover Crop (340), Critical Area Planting (342), Field Border (386), Filter Strip (393), Grade Stabilization Structure (410), Grassed Waterway (412), Residue Management (329, 345, 346) or Water and Sediment Control Basin (638). 5 points

All Concerns – The applicant has a completed EQIP contract and is addressing a national concern. 5 points

- 5. Assign points to the questions in Item #4 as desired to reflect local priorities. The total points assigned to the questions should be between 35 to 60 points.
- 6. Submit this worksheet to your respective ASTC(FO). After approval from the state office, the questions will be entered into the Local Issues section of the ranking tool.
- 7. List any recommended practices to be deleted from the state Conservation **Practice Payment Document**

The local EQIP program description, cost-share docket changes, and ranking worksheet must be reviewed and approved by the State Conservationist before any EQIP contract is approved and signed.

This document serves as the Local Work Group recommendation for FY 07 EQIP. Attached is a roster of participation in the Local Work Group.

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